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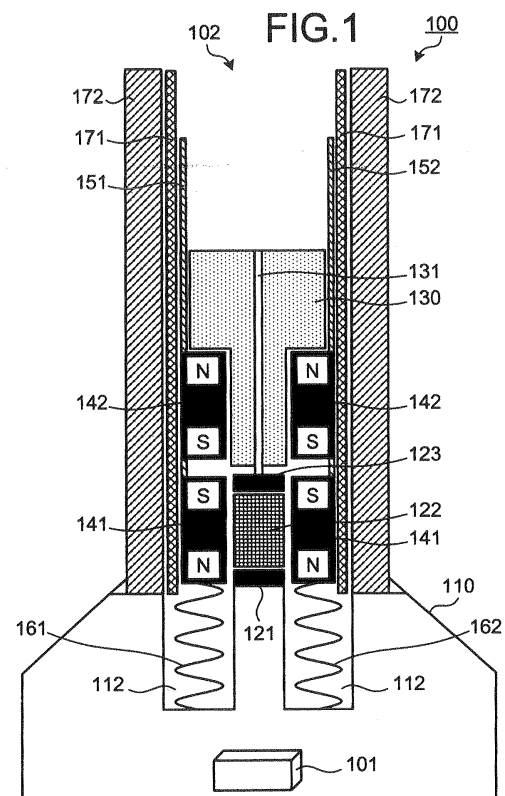
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(54) **Optical transmitter, optical module, and optical connector**

(57) An optical transmitter includes an optical isolator that includes a Faraday rotator transmitting light output from a light source, and has a first state in which the light is transmitted through the optical isolator when a first magnetic field is applied to the Faraday rotator, and a second state in which the amount of the light transmitted through the optical isolator is less than that in the first state when a second magnetic field different from the first magnetic field is applied to the Faraday rotator; a junction to which an optical transmission medium into which the light output from the optical isolator is input is connected; a magnetic-field generator that selectively applies the first magnetic field or the second magnetic field to the Faraday rotator; and a switching unit that switches the magnetic-field generator to the second state when the optical transmission medium is not connected to the junction.



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